

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-53 remain in the application, all of which stand rejected.

1. Rejection of Claims 1-13, 16, 17, 22-31, 34, 35, 39-47 and 50

Under 35 USC 103(a)

Claims 1-13, 16, 17, 22-31, 34, 35, 39-47 and 50 stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Jeong et al. (US 6,229,859 B1; hereinafter "Jeong") in view of Kirisawa (US 5,847,619).

With respect to claim 1, the Examiner asserts that Jeong teaches:

...displaying at least some of the digital interface symbol information with a representation of the at least one analog signal in a correlated fashion. (See col. 4, lines 5-10)

4/15/2008 Final Office Action, p. 3, sec. 3.

Applicant respectfully disagrees. The excerpt of Jeong cited by the Examiner states:

...Finally, the decoder 112 receives the aligned data frames and output valid signal and decodes the aligned data frames to regenerate the original data and output the regenerated data as the received data (RX data). In a preferred embodiment, a liquid crystal display (LCD) controller chip receives the RX data from the decoder 112 and has the RX data displayed graphically on the display.

Jeong, col. 4, lines 5-10.

Although the above excerpt of Jeong teaches that received data (RX data) may be graphically displayed, it is noted that Jeong does not show what such a display looks like. It is also noted that the displayed data appears to be nothing more than digital

data. As a result, Jeong fail to mention both "**displaying. . . a representation of the at least one analog signal**", and displaying "**at least some of the digital interface symbol information with a representation of the at least one analog signal in a correlated fashion.**"

Applicant also notes that the Examiner's rejection contains a contradiction, which makes the rejection difficult to assess. That is, despite the Examiner's above assertion that Jeong teaches "displaying at least some of the digital interface symbol information with a representation of the at least one analog signal in a correlated fashion", the Examiner later admits that Jeong "fails to specifically disclose displaying. . . at least some of the digital interface symbol information with a representation of the at least one analog signal in a correlated fashion." See, 4/15/2008 Final Office Action, pp. 3-4, sec. 3. For purposes of this Response, applicant will assume that the Examiner's above assertion regarding what is taught by Jeong is an artifact from a previous Office Action, and that the Examiner's position is that Jeong "fails to specifically disclose displaying. . . at least some of the digital interface symbol information with a representation of the at least one analog signal in a correlated fashion." If applicant's assumption is in error, applicant asks that the Examiner so indicate in an Advisory Action.

Although the Examiner admits that Jeong does not teach "displaying. . . at least some of the digital interface symbol information with a representation of the at least one analog signal in a correlated fashion," the Examiner asserts that Krisawa teaches this limitation. More specifically, the Examiner indicates:

. . . (See figs. 1 & 3 & col. 1, lines 30-34, col. 3, lines 25-45, col. 4, lines 57-63) Krisawa discloses a system a calibration system comprising of a quadrature signal generator, quadrature phase modulator, and a spectrum analyzer for displaying the output from the phase modulator.

Taking the combined teachings of Jeong and Krisawa as a whole, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skills in the art to have incorporated this feature into the system of Jeong, in the manner as claimed and as taught by Krisawa, for the benefit of analyzing the phase modulated signal.

4/15/2008 Final Office Action, p. 4, sec. 3.

Applicant respectfully disagrees. The excerpts of Kirisawa cited by the Examiner state:

The vector network analyzer 109 measures the amplitude and phase of the RF modulated signal generated by modulation by the in-phase signal (I-signal) and in-quadrature phase signal (Q-signal) input to the quadrature phase modulator 100.

Col. 1, lines 30-34.

Referring to FIG. 3, a calibration system according to a first embodiment of the present invention is used for a quadrature phase modulator 10 which includes a local oscillator 11 for generating a carrier wave, a first mixer 12 for mixing I-signal with the carrier wave, a second mixer 13 for mixing Q-signal with a phase-corrected carrier wave obtained by shifting the carrier wave by 90° in phase, a 90° phase shifter 14 for phase-shifting carrier signal for the mixer 13, and a hybrid (H) block (or combiner) 15 for synthesizing the outputs of the mixers 12 and 13.

The calibration system comprises a sine-wave quadrature signal generator 20 for generating sine-wave quadrature signals having a phase difference of 90° therebetween, an adjusting block 30 integrated to the quadrature phase modulator 10 for adjusting the phase difference and amplitude difference between the sine-wave quadrature signals to supply the adjusted quadrature signals to the mixers 12 and 13 of the quadrature phase modulator 10, and a frequency spectrum analyzer for receiving the output of the quadrature phase modulator 10 to observe the frequency spectrum in the output of the quadrature phase modulator 10.

Col. 3, lines 25-45.

The spectrum analyzer 40 of the calibration system displays thereon the output of the quadrature phase modulator 10 in terms of frequency spectrum. While observing the frequency spectrum analyzer 40 or monitoring the output of the quadrature phase modulator, the quadrature phase modulator is calibrated. Calibration by the calibration system of the present embodiment will be described hereinafter.

Col. 4, lines 57-63.

Of note, none of the above excerpts say anything about displaying "**digital interface symbol information**" or displaying such digital interface symbol information "with a representation of the at least one analog signal **in a correlated fashion**". Rather, the above excerpts only indicate that "the output of the quadrature phase modulator 10 in terms of frequency spectrum" can be displayed (col. 4, lines 57-63).

Kirisawa provides examples of the spectrum analyzer 40's display in FIGS. 7A-7D (col. 4, line 64 - col. 5, line 5). In these displays, it is noted that there is no display of "digital interface symbol information". In fact, there is no display of any digital information at all. Although Kirisawa does illustrate waveforms containing at least some digital information in FIGS. 5A and 5B (although not digital interface symbol information), it is noted that the waveforms shown in FIGS. 5A and 5B are representative of waveforms generated by the sin ROM 23 and cos ROM 24 of the quadrature signal generator 20 (see, FIGS. 3 & 4; and col. 3, lines 60-65). The waveforms shown in FIGS. 5A and 5B are not displayed on the spectrum analyzer 40, and the waveforms shown in FIGS. 5A and 5B are not correlated with any "digital interface symbol information".

Because of the above-noted deficiencies of Jeong and Kirisawa, claim 1 is believed to be allowable over their combined teachings.

Claims 2-13, 16 and 17 are believed to be allowable, at least, because they depend from claim 1.

Claims 22-31, 34, 35, 39-47 and 50 are believed to be allowable, at least, for reasons similar to why claim 1 is believed to be allowable.

2. Rejection of Claims 14, 15, 18-20, 32, 33, 36-38, 48, 49 and 51-53
Under 35 USC 103(a)

Claims 14, 15, 18-20, 32, 33, 36-38, 48, 49 and 51-53 stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Jeong in view of Kirisawa and Sajdak et al. (US 6,570,592 B1; hereinafter "Sajdak").

Applicant believes claims 14, 15, 18-10, 32, 33, 36-38, 48, 49 and 51-53 are allowable, at least, for reasons similar to why claim 1 is believed to be allowable, and because Sajdak fails to disclose that which is missing from Jeong and Voutilainen (see, e.g., Section 1 of these Remarks/Arguments).

3. Rejection of Claims 1, 22 and 39 Under 35 USC 103(a)

Claims 1, 22 and 39 stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Jeong in view of Iida (US 7,236,513 B2).

With respect to claim 1, the Examiner once again admits that Jeong fails to teach "displaying. . . at least some of the digital interface symbol information with a representation of the at least one analog signal in a correlated fashion. However, the Examiner asserts that Iida teaches this in FIGS. 2A-N & col. 6, line 39 - col. 7, line 12. Applicant respectfully disagrees.

What is shown in Iida's FIGS. 2A-N are signals appearing at various different nodes of the transmitter 100 shown in FIG. 1. Iida contains absolutely no teaching that any of the signals shown in FIGS. 2A-N are actually displayed in a correlated fashion. Iida certainly does not indicate that "digital interface symbol information [captured from a set of data samples for at least one analog signal is displayed] with a representation of the set of data samples of the at least one analog signal in a correlated fashion", as is recited in applicant's claim 1.

Because of the above-noted deficiencies of Jeong and Kirisawa, claim 1 is believed to be allowable over their combined teachings.

Claims 22 and 39 are believed to be allowable, at least, for reasons similar to why claim 1 is believed to be allowable.

4. Conclusion

In light of the amendments and remarks provided herein, applicant respectfully requests the issuance of a Notice of Allowance.

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